The programme of Early Childhood care and Education in future will be reformulated in accordance with the National Policy on Education 1986 and the Programme of Action for implementation of the Policy (copy of each document has been laid on the Table of the Sabha). [*See* Appendix CXXXIX, Annexure No. 108.]

Amount allotted for Family Welfare Programmes

*390. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount allotted for family welfare programmes for the current financial year;

(b) what are the guidelines given to the field staff attached to each Primary Health Centre to ensure the fulfilment of family welfare target;

(c) whether it is a fact that the field staff of the Primary Health Centre has no proper means of conveyance for visiting places in backward areas of tre country; and

(d) what measures Government are contemplating to give facilities to the staff and to achieve the results?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) An allocation of Rs. 530 crores has been made for the current financial year for implementation of the family Welfare Programme.

(b) The guidelines given to the field staff attached to Primary Health Centres relate to the Programme implementaton viz. the maintenance of eligible Couple Registers; carrying out information, education and communication activities, ensuring quality services and proper care in cases of sterilisation, IUD insertions and for the distribution of Oral Pills and Conventional Contraceptives, child servival programmes and evaluation of the entire family planning programme.

(c) Every block level Primary Health Centre is entitled to the use of one vehicle for touring purposes by the doctors and workers. In addition, an audio-visual van is available at district headquarters which may also be utilised by the Block Extension Educators for motivational work. The field staff at the Block Level Primary Health Centres are entitled to draw TA|DA for official tour as per State Government rules.

(d) Efforts are made to provide facilities to the staff to the extent feasible within the constraints of resources. The facilities provided to the staff include the following:

I. The 8th Finance Commission has made a special provision of Rs. 53.52 crores for construction of residential quarters for doctors. Residential accommodation is provided to doctors working at Rural Family Welfare Centres.

II. For doctors serving in rural areas and not allowed private practice:

(i) house rent allowance at the rate of Rs. 150 per month is admissible if no residenial accommodation is provided

(ii) rural allowance equal to 25 per cent of basic pay subject to a maximum of Rs. 250 per month is provided to the doctors serving in PHCs.

III. District Health Officers have been authorised to sanction|purchase of mopeds to 500 health Assistants in 92 selected districts under the Universal Immunisation Programme.

The steps contemplated in order to achieve the results under the Programme include:

Strengthening the infrastructure and supervisory mechanism; expending institutional facilities for service delivery; greater involvement of voluntary organised and cooperative sector and of the practitioners of the Indian Systems of Medcine; setting up of Popular Committees at State, District and Block levels; promotion of spacing methods; expansion of the programmes of Social Market-

ing of conventional contraceptives and Oral Pills; a comprehensive scheme of awards, providing professional support to IEC activities and enhancing child survival through the programmes of Universal Immmunisation and Oral rehydration therapy.

No objection certificates to M.C.D. and D.E.S.U. for providing water and electricity to Saleemgarh Railway Colony

*391. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI. Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Northern Railway has refused to issue No Objection Certificate to the Municpal Corporation of Delhi and the Delhi Electric Supply Undertakings for providing water and electricity to residents of Saleemgarh Railway Colony, Red Fort, Delhi who are residing there since 1950;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) by when water and electricity connections would be provided by the railway authorities for their workers residing in this locality?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir. There are 50 Railway quarters in Saleemgarh Railway Colony near Red Fort, Delhi. All these quarters have been provided with water and electric connections by Railways.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Container Corporation of India

*392. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to set up a Container Corporation to meet the growing container traffic;

(b) if so, what is the number of Inland Containers Depots proposed to be set up under the above Container Corporation;

(c) the places identified for the location of those Inland Container Depots; and

(d) what are the other details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Seven Inland Container Depots are already functioning at Bangalore, Guntur, Anaparti, Coimbatore, New Delhi, Amingaon (near Guwahati) and Dhandari Kalan (near Ludhiana). Rail India Technical and Economic Services Limited (RITES) have been entrusted to undertake a study on the feasibility of setting up the proposed Corporation and to identify the location of new ICDs.

Conspiracy to blow up Air India Jumbo Jet on New York—Bombay route

*393. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA:
SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI:

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there was a plot to blow up Air India flight No. 112 on New York-Bombay route on 31st May, 1986;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this flight was carrying several VIPs and, if so, what are the particulars thereof;

(c) whether any investigations have been made to uncover this heinous plot and punish the guilty persons; and

(d) the safety measures being taken by Government to protect International carriers and their passengers during flights?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) As per information received, Royal Canadian Mounted Police arrested 5 persons from Montreal on 30th May, 1986 in connection with a conspiracy to blow up Air India flight AI—112 from New York on 31st May, 1986.

(b) The Minister of State for External Affairs was booked on this flight.